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ANNOUNCEMENT.

The MINER is authorized to announce the name of W. F. Beckwith of Farmers Valley as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, the first president, died at Mt. Vernon one hundred years ago to-day.

HON. JOHN DALZELL of Pittsburg is the Republican leader on the floor of the majority side of the lower house of congress.

IT is really surprising to observe the silence of the machine newspapers in regard to the election frauds that are daily exposed in Philadelphia. These newspapers seem to be stricken dumb.

BY the developments of fraud and bribery which have recently been brought to light in Philadelphia, no one need to have a moment's doubt as to why there was such urgency to have the McCarrell jury bill passed last winter. If that bill had become a law, ballot box stuffers, repeaters and jury bribers would have had more opportunities to escape.

THE MINER takes pleasure in announcing the name of W. F. Beckwith of Farmers Valley as a candidate for supervisor of Keating township on the Republican ticket, subject to the decision of the Republican primaries. Mr. Beckwith has filled that office before with credit to himself and satisfaction to the taxpayers of Keating township. Republicans of the township will make no mistake if they elect him to office the second time.

THE disclosures of fraud lately developed in Philadelphia in regard to ballot-box stuffing seem almost incredible. When men holding positions of trust, such as Hon. Samuel Salter, ex-member of the legislature and now Deputy Coroner of Philadelphia, will boldly place over 200 fraudulent ballots in one election box, or hire it done, it is certainly time such men were given a berth on Cherry Hill, where they would not endanger the purity of the ballot. It is the duty of every voter in the state, regardless of political views, to use every effort available to wipe out this stain upon the Keystone state.

IF the opinions and desires of the Pennsylvania legislature are considered as all by the United States senate ex Senator Quay will not be seated as senator on the appointment of the governor of the state. A majority of the legislature has signed a protest against his admission and presented their case in strong terms. All law and precedent will have to be set aside in Quay's favor if he is admitted, and it does seem that it can hardly be possible that enough senators can be found to go back upon their former opinions and votes in like cases, to seat Mr. Quay. The case of the state legislators as they have presented it, is strong enough to settle the question beyond controversy. Their position is invulnerable.—York Dispatch.

IT has been a mystery to many in the country how Ingham and Newitt, formerly two prominent attorneys of Philadelphia, whose income through the practice of their profession reached $12,000 to $15,000 per year, could stoop to enter into a counterfeiting scheme, which will deprive them of their liberty for two and a half years. Later developments have disclosed the fact that the scheme which induced them to enter into the project was of such stupendous proportions as to startle the nation. Plates had been made from which to strike off greenbacks of such accuracy that the treasury officials were unable for a long time to detect them from the genuine notes. The scheme was to bribe some treasury official to take these counterfeit notes and exchange them for genuine notes, either at the treasury in Washington or at the sub-treasuries in some of the other cities, and only for a fortunate detection these scoundrels would have been able to have robbed the United States of somewhere in the neighborhood of $70,000,000 in genuine treasury notes, leaving the same amount of bogus notes in their place in the treasury. Whether they succeeded in finding their men has not been developed, but the chances are they would have succeeded had the discovery not been made.

THEY STATE THEIR CASE.

Following is the address prepared by the committee of the Republican conference, which has held several meetings in Philadelphia within the last month, and unanimously endorsed by the conference at its last meeting:

To the Republicans of Pennsylvania:

The Republicans of Pennsylvania, reaffirming their devotion to the principles and traditions of the party of Lincoln, Grant and McKinley, jealous of its record and anxious for its future success and the continuation of its usefulness in state and nation, do hereby declare that a condition of affairs now exists in our commonwealth which is repugnant to Republican principles and destructive of Republican government.

Unless these conditions meet with prompt, effective and disinterested action, our party will cease to command the confidence and support of the people.

The constitution, our fundamental law, made by the people themselves, must be protected against the attacks of mercenary politicians. Our laws must be faithfully and sturdily enforced. State and municipal government must be free from corruption, inequality and taint.

Elections, primary and general, must be pure and correct. Free schools and public education must be divorced from partisan politics. The will of a sovereign people, and not that of a factional leader, must control. Appointments to public office must insure competent and faithful performance of official duty.

The people of Pennsylvania have recently witnessed the deliberate violation of the fundamental law, notably in the executive veto of the joint resolution submitting to the people a constitutional amendment for the protection of the suffrage, and the unwarranted veto of a part of the item appropriating money to the public schools, by the latter of which public education was sacrificed to unworthy and selfish ends; the nullification of the constitution and the violation of all precedent, in the appointment to a seat in the United States senate of an aspirant rejected by the representatives of the people in legislative council; the infamous work of bribers, seeking to debauch the legislature to satisfy, against the people's will, individual lust for office; the adopting of state platforms, promising reforms which the party and the people have been demanding for years, only to be broken when the necessities of their framers demanded, and the perversion of public moneys to private use.

They have beheld the office of United States senator prostituted to the work of filling federal positions of honor and trust by the appointment of those who in turn have repaid their benefactors by organizing gangs of repeaters and ballot box stuffers to suffocate and destroy the sovereign will of the qualified electors of the state.

Proof of this has been plainly manifested by the recent developments in the Thirteenth division of the Seventh ward of Philadelphia, where, at the last election, federal officeholders from Washington, at the head of professional ballot-box stuffers, took possession of the polls, and in that single precinct cast hundreds of false and fraudulent votes.

Believing that the wise policy of President McKinley and his national administration should receive the loyal support of all true Republicans, and that the principles of the Republican party should be maintained in both state and nation, but fearing that the corrupt and destructive practices here inabove recited may cripple the power of the commonwealth as a factor to that end, and stay her hand when most needed, we call upon all who believe in these principles to unite with us in the purpose and effort hereby proclaimed:

For the enactment of laws to adequately punish all ballot thieves, and for the elimination from politics of those who profit by their crimes.

For the enactment of adequate registration laws and statutes governing primary and general elections.

For the faithful performance of duty in public office.

For the prevention of corrupt and extravagant expenditures of public moneys, of which the padded pay rolls and the new state capitol are scandalous instances.

For the abrogation of the rule adopted by the last Republican state convention, which in cases of disputes in the districts practically places the nominations of judges, state senators and representatives in congress absolutely at the dictation of the state chairman, a power utterly destructive of home rule in the selection of candidates.

For the overthrow of the present dangerous centralization of political power which is the source of all these evils.

For the retirement from public place of its controlling head, Matthew S. Quay.

Daniel H. Hastings, J. Bayard Henry,
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Committee.

SEALS FOR SEAT IN THE SENATE.

The story from Washington that the support of the Pennsylvania delegation in national conventions is being promised to senators ambitious to become president or vice president in return for votes to seat Mr. Quay has all the known characteristics of low-grade machine politics, though there are very few senators to whom the most hardened machine boss would dare make such a proposition.

All the hope there has been of getting Mr. Quay the seat to which the legislature refused to elect him notoriously is in making a deal, and whatever honorable senators may think of these methods no one who understands Mr. Quay and his commercial ways in politics doubts for an instant that deals will be proposed where it is thought it would not be a dangerous thing to do. To those who know the pitiful figure the bossed end of the Pennsylvania delegation has cut in Republican national conventions for a quarter of a century a proposition for its support will have no allurements, and any candidate for the presidency who desires to succeed should, and doubtless would pray to have it pledged to somebody else. In all that time it has never supported the successful candidate. It has always had some selfish scheme which the Republican sentiment of the country refused to support.

It began in 1876 with a delegation ostensibly for Governor Hartranft, but really for Senator Conkling. It threw down Hartranft at a critical moment and was beaten in its real choice. In 1880 it was for third term for Grant, and was beaten in its real choice. In 1884 it was for third term for Grant, while the Republican sentiment of the state was overwhelmingly for Blaine, and it was again beaten. It was defeated for a third time four years later when Blaine was finally nominated in spite of the long fight of the machine bosses against him. In 1888 everything possible was done by Mr. Quay and the delegates he controlled to prevent the nomination of Harrison, and they were beaten for the fourth time. At the convention of 1892 there was a combination of bosses, which Mr. Quay was chiefly instrumental in effecting, to prevent the renomination of President Harrison, and they were defeated for the fifth time. The events of 1896 are still fresh enough for all to remember. Mr. Quay set up his own grotesque candidacy in order to prevent the majority of the delegation from voting for McKinley as the real Republican sentiment of the state demanded it should do. It was on the wrong side for the sixth time in succession.

These facts show pretty clearly that the way to get a nomination for the presidency is to have the opposition of the machine end of the Pennsylvania delegation. Republican sentiment of the country at large does not tolerate bossism, and in national conventions the will of the people asserts itself against the tricks and intrigues of the machine. Every proposition from machine bosses for a deal is an insult. The United States senate cannot be approached and handled like a Pennsylvania machine-made convention.—Philadelphia Press.

Notice.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11, 1899.

President McKinley has taken occasion to congratulate the Republican members of the house for their promptness in dealing with the financial bill, debate upon which opened in the house to day to continue for one week. This bill will not only receive the vote of every Republican in the house, but it will get from ten to fifteen Democratic votes, making its passage by a large majority certain. Never before has there been such unanimity in favor of a financial measure. The reason may be found in the fact that this bill has the approval of the business sentiment of the country. So far the Democrats have shown themselves to be afraid of the bill as a whole, confining themselves to attacking it in spots. They may work themselves up into attacking it more directly as the debate progresses. They will be given every opportunity, and if they wish more time than has been allotted to them they can easily get it, as the Republicans will be perfectly willing to give them a part of their time.

Gen. Leonard Wood will return to Cuba this week and resume his duties as commander of the Santiago district. If he knows that his nomination to be major general of volunteers, sent to the senate last week, was a preliminary step toward making him military governor of Cuba, as many believe, he keeps the knowledge to himself very discreetly. But discretion is one of his strong points.

If Senator Mason expected his speech on the resolution of sympathy for the Boers, offered by him last week, to create a sensation, he is a disappointed man.

Senator Burrows has presented President McKinley a petition signed by the Hollanders of Michigan, asking that he use his good offices to bring about peace between the English and the Boers, and the petition has been filed in the department of state. The president can do nothing of this kind except when requested by both parties to do it.

Hon. John Barrett, late United States minister to Siam, said in a lecture on "The Philippines and the Far East," delivered under the auspices of the National Geographic Society: "If I were asked to state the necessary immediate influences that will assist in making America forever the paramount power of the Pacific, I would enumerate in order of importance: First, permanent sovereignty over the Philippines; second, construction of the trans Isthmian canal; third, preservation according to the treaty of our trade rights throughout all China; fourth, laying of the Pacific cable; up building or reasonable subsidizing of our merchant marine; sixth, a new but important proposition—the extension of the parcel post system of mail to the far east to compete with similar European systems, and seventh, the early sending of a commission to fully investigate and report on Asiatic markets, as recommended in the president's message." With the exception of the sixth the president anticipated every one of Mr. Barrett's suggestions, in his annual message to congress.

One of the most important committees of the present house will be the Insular Committee, which will have charge of all legislation pertaining to the island possessions of the United States, the formation of which has been authorized by the house. This committee will be composed of the ablest members of the house, and it will be a high honor to be a member of it. Representative Tawney of Minnesota, who was the author of the resolution providing for the committee, will, it is thought, be its chairman.

Speaker Henderson purposes to stick closely to business during the session of congress. He has declined an invitation to attend a banquet of the Middlesex club of Boston on April 27th, next,—Grant's birthday—and says he will decline all similar invitations while congress is in session.

The statement made by Roberts that polygamists had been appointed postmasters in Utah by the president and confirmed by the senate, was news to the president, the senate and the post-office department, which immediately began an investigation to ascertain the truthfulness of the statement. If there is a polygamist postmaster in Utah, or elsewhere, he will be dismissed from office as soon as the proofs are in the hands of the department. The house committee that is investigating the charges against Roberts is working diligently. Its report is almost certain to be against Roberts.

In order that there may be no ground for a charge of partisanship in the action of the senate committee on privileges and elections, on the cases involving the seats of Senators Scott of West Virginia, Senator Clark of Montana and the right of Mr. Quay to be seated on the appointment of Gov. Stone of Pennsylvania, that committee is not included among those upon which Republican representation will be increased to correspond with the Republican majority in the senate.

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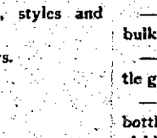

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Sateens, India silks. All styles 85c to $4.25. Also outing flannel underskirts at 25c each.

Notion Department.

—New collars and cuffs.
—Neckwear.
—New fads in gents' mufflers, entirely new.
—Fascinators.
—Fancy table covers, blue, green, brown and red shades.
—Portiers in all colors, styles and prices.
—Men's and boys' sweaters.
—Gloves and mittens.

Wraps.

—Misses' and children's coats, special holiday price.
—Ladies' coats and capes at bargains.
—Collarettes, all styles, kinds and colors, prices from $4.00 to $10.00.

Groceries.

—Stem raisins, seeded raisins, cleaned currants and citron for Christmas cookies.
—Cranberries.
—F. S. Flour, no better on the market. If you wish to make a present of a sack we will discount on the regular price.
—Full line of canned goods.
—Chase & Sanborn's teas and coffees, in bulk and in packages.
—Pickles, sweet and sour, bulk and bottle goods.
—Mixed nuts, olives, fine apples, Heinz bottle goods, Cross & Blackwell's imported pickles, salad dressing, Tobasco sauce.
—Fine fruit flavors, all kinds.
—California canned goods, peaches, apricots, plums, pears and cherries.

Most everything for your table, Christmas dinner.

J. COLEGROVE,
Next to Bank. SMETHPORT, PENNA.

Christmas Extraordinary.

As the great day of the year draws near crowds of gift seekers increase and splendid stocks diminish.

Be among the satisfied ones who are purchasing their good will offerings now.

There is infinite variety here.

Bric a brac
China
Toys & Games
Dolls
Vases
Tree Ornaments
Sleds
Wagons
Doll Carriages
Magic Lanterns

MORE PRACTICAL

Baskets
Collar & Cuff Boxes
Neckwear
Suspenders
Slippers
Laundry Bags
Rugs
Shawls
Umbrellas
Gloves

SWEETS

A full assortment of fresh candies and nuts at proper prices.

CLEARANCE SALE!
ONE WEEK.

Owing to Mr. Lindholm's serious illness we are reducing stocks in some departments. Notably:

Cloaks and Furs. Boys' Clothing.

Special prices are doing it. It will pay you to buy now.

F. G. Lindholm & Co.
Dry Goods, Groceries, Shoes,
Smethport, Pa.

Mail orders carefully executed.

McKean County Miner

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

SMETHPORT, PA.

Smethport, McKean county, Penn'a, is located in the northern Pennsylvania oil fields, sixty miles from Buffalo, N. Y., and 135 miles east of Pittsburg, Pa.

Smethport has four lines of railroad leading direct to all the principal distributing centres, both eastward and westward, and a total of a dozen lines of railroad.

In the centre of the most extensive and best natural gas belt in the world.

Cheap fuel, oil and gas.

Within easy reach of large manufacturing coal fields, and on a direct line of railroad, within 24 miles of the largest commercial hardwood timber tract in the U. S. on earth.

Unlimited quantities of the best glass sand obtainable in the world.

Mountains of shale rock suitable for brick manufacturing.

Building stone and flagging in abundance which can be secured cheaply.

Machine construction of all kinds, such as boxes, wagons, bobs, carts, sash, etc.

Smethport is the county seat of McKean county, and is the centre of population in the Keystone State, containing a population of the present time of about 2,000 and is growing rapidly. Has electric light plant, two large steam grain elevators, two planing mills, a large tannery, two first-class hotels, two banks, two weekly newspapers, and the principal industries in the present time are manufacturing. Two acres with a good switch siding for sale. Also block No. 1 in Block Hook Manufacturing Co's plant, with a number of other inducements.

Smethport has always been one of the healthiest towns in the State. Contagious diseases are strangers to the town. In fact the health record of the town cannot be beaten in any section of the country. Present Boro tax of the mines nightly, the water and sewerage system, the highest elevation in Pennsylvania, within the limits of the borough, which affords a grand view of the hills, mountain scenery. Social and sobriety are characteristics of the people of Smethport. Smethport is located at the head of Summit and Marvin creek valleys, the streams furnishing an abundance of water for all purposes.

Smethport contains many splendid sites for manufacturing purposes, and the undersigned will be pleased to correspond with parties desiring information, and will cheerfully furnish any information desired. Address Smethport Boro Council, Smethport, Pa.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—See Lindholm & Co's new Christmas ad this week.

—St. Luke's guild meets at W. D. Gallup's this afternoon.

—Old Man Bucket is in a pack of trouble. Read his ad.

—The Smethport Athletic Club will meet at the base house tonight.

—To-morrow is the last day you can legally kill pheasants or rabbits.

—The hallway of the Odd Fellows building has been nicely papered.

—Don't forget that the Farmers Institute will be held Jan. 26 and 27, 1900.

—Storm sheets have been placed in front of Messrs. Hamlin & Son's bank.

—McKean Bros. have most of their logs in Marvin creek floated down to the mill.

—Last Saturday morning the Hazelhurst World building was destroyed by fire.

—During the last week Emporium residents made a great kick over the scarcity of gas.

—Mrs. F. G. Sartwell entertained a number of her lady friends at cards Tuesday night.

—W. D. Gallup has sold his house and lot on the south side to Christian Herzog. Consideration $900.

—Last Tuesday Eugene Day sold a porker to Jones & Church that weighed just 500 pounds dressed.

—Carlson & Dolke are busily engaged in laying the foundation for H. W. Rubin & Co's new brick building.

—Rev. F. J. Barber of the Free Methodist church will preach in the Swedish Mission church, Dec. 26, at 7:45.

—The Camp Hose Co. will give a dance at the base house Dec. 25th. All are cordially invited to attend.

—The P., S. & N. Ry station will be located for a season in the old Gifford office, with S. E. Bell as agent and operator.

—The Ormsby Tent, K. O. T. M., will give a Christmas ball, Thursday, December 21. All are cordially invited to attend.

—The Clarion State Normal School has been a mighty factor in promoting better teachings in our public schools by furnishing trained teachers.

—Our merchants are all busy decorating their front windows and getting their holiday stock in proper shape to meet the demands of their many customers.

—For the benefit of the Smethport correspondent to the Bradford Era, the MINER is authorized to state that Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Hamlin will not occupy the rooms over the hardware store of J. C. Hamlin.

—The Central Hose Co. of Bradford will give a boxing exhibition at Wagner Opera House Thursday p. m., Dec. 21. Eddie Burns of Detroit will go against Eugene Bogenal of Cincinnati, and Billdy Hennessy of Syracuse against Willie O'Donnell of Buffalo.

—One of the most profitable terms of school to students at the Clarion Normal is drawing to a close. The students speak favorably of their experience in that school.

—H. C. Wells has a new advertisement in this week calling attention to his up-to-date novelties for children. It is evident that he met old Santa at Buffalo and secured nearly his entire stock.

—The MINER is authorized to announce that the Farmer's Institute will be held Jan. 26 and 27, 1900, instead of Dec. 26 and 27 as advertised last week. Farmers will please make a note of this.

—Mrs. Carrie Clark & Co., have a new holiday advertisement in this issue. Those desiring millinery goods for the holidays can not find a finer assortment in this section. Give them a call.

—The First Quarterly Conference of the Smethport M. E. church will be held next Friday evening, Dec. 15th at 8 p. m. The Presiding Elder will be present. A full board is requested by the pastor.

—List of letters remaining in the Smethport postoffice for the week ending December 9, 1899: Alexander DeShetler, Mrs. A. George, Mr. Wm Gillespie, R. L. Myers, Wallace A. Robbins (3), Miss Mary Shafers.

—Miss Ada Elizabeth, daughter of Mrs. Ocelia Young, died at her home in Farmers Valley Wednesday evening, aged about 17 years, of consumption. The funeral will be held at Farmers Valley Friday, interment in Rose Hill cemetery.

—Last week Sheriff-elect Clarke filed his bond to the amount of $15,000 with the prothonotary. His bondsmen are Judge Henry Hamlin, James A. McKean and C. D. Comes. With such bondsmen the people of the county should certainly feel secure.

—One of the busiest places in town is the blacksmith shop of C. W. Lilgendahl. They are working night and day. John Hoffman has orders in there for six sets of lumber sleds that will cost him sixty dollars per set, and there is no limit to the amount of lumber that can be placed on them.

—As the buckwheat batter is in full flow now the following is given as a receipt for greasing the griddle: Take a turnip, cut in half, rub the griddle with the inner side, and you will find the cakes come off nicely and smoothly, and you will be rid of the disagreeable odor of burning fat.—Wellsboro Gazette.

—An old-fashioned reunion was held at the home of D. W. Bockwith, at Farmers Valley on the 30th ult. The old gentleman is nearly 80 years of age and, though feeble, enjoys life hugely, and the reunion of his children and grandchildren gave him great pleasure. The MINER hopes that he may live to enjoy many more such happy events.

—Messrs. Lewis Emery, Jr., & Co., of Bradford have a change of advertisement in this week's issue of the MINER telling of their immense stock of holiday goods at rock bottom prices. This popular house is so well known in this section that it is hardly worth while to call the reader's attention to the fact. When in Bradford give them a call.

—Last Saturday morning at 3 o'clock Thomas McDowell of Port Allegany passed away, aged about 68 years, after a brief but severe attack of pneumonia. The deceased was one of the most highly respected citizens of that town, having been an important factor in all its enterprises. The deceased was a life long Democrat. The funeral was held Monday.

—The Potter Democrat is lamenting the fact that there are but 29 attorneys in that county and desires one more to make an even 30. Bless your soul neighbor, there are several that have moved from McKean county over into Potter and if you need any more, just pass the word along and your wants will be supplied. You cannot go amiss of them here.

—Harpers Bazar of last week contained a speaking cartoon. It represents Santa Claus riding an automobile. His faithful reindeer are looking on, pictures of disgust depicted on their features at being relegated to the rear by modern machinery. Santa Claus may be all right in this move, but when he comes to climbing on steep roofs in order to get down the chimneys he will sadly miss his nimble reindeer.

—Mrs. Kendal had an amusing experience once when playing at Dublin, the role being Galatea. Pygmalion has that unpleasant domestic accessory, a jealous wife. During the temporary absence of the wife Galatea was about to throw herself into the arms of Pygmalion, when an old lady in the audience called out warningly: "Don't do it, darlint! His wife's just gone out, an' it'll be like her to be stoppin' at the kaykole!"—Buffalo Commercial.

—Last Thursday night G. A. R. Post No. 317, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Commander, E. R. Mayo; S. V., J. C. Cunningham; J. V., William Grigsby; Quartermaster, H. M. Choate; Surgeon, George Irons; Chaplain, B. F. Wright; Officer of the Day, S. G. Bush; Orderly Sergeant, M. O'Reilly; Delegate to the Department Encampment, H. M. Choate; Alternate, T. A. Morrison; Trustees, H. M. Choate, S. G. Bush and J. Colegrove.

—By a recent decision of the Supreme court at Williamsport on an appeal from the Delaware county court, property owners and municipal authorities will finds a new order of things. It has generally been supposed that cities and boroughs are responsible for injuries sustained by persons falling on defective sidewalks or pavements. The Superior court decided that citizens on whose property the unsafe roadway or sidewalk adjoined was responsible for the damage.

—A naughty exchange comments thus on the old maid and the kissing bug: The old maid stood on the steamboat deck, whence all but she had fled, and calmly faced a kissing bug that circled overhead. The maidens shrieked, the matrons swooned, and the men all swore amen, but the old maid like a hero stayed and whispered "come again." There was a buzz—a thunder sound, the old maid—was she dead? Nay, still she stood and cried for more, but the kissing bug had fled.

—An exchange says that a Mississippi man is going to send 500,000 fully matured cotton bolls to the Paris exposition to show all the world where their skirts and sheets come from, and he will send a delegation of genuine cotton-field darkies to sell the bolls as souvenirs, to tell their buyers all they want to know about cotton, and best of all to show them the stalwart black American citizens whose toil produces about 10,000,000 bales of the staple every year. The idea is as good as it is novel.

—Smethport hopes to get the shops of the Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern railroad.—Potter Democrat. Neighbor, we not only hope, but expect to secure the location of the shops here. Where can the officials of that important road find a better location? Gas and coal in abundance are to be found here. There is a fine location for these shops here that can be secured at fairly reasonable figures, and the distance about right for a division. By all means the shops should be located here.

—Rev. W. F. Tabbs (colored) will preach in the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday at 10:30 a. m. Rev. Dr. Walker will preach at Colegrove at the same hour and administer the Holy Sacrament. The pastor will preach as usual in his church in the evening at 7:30 p. m. The evening sermon will be followed by a song service—singing out of the Best Hymns No. 2, a popular song book just introduced by the pastor.

—On Monday the MINER received a copy of "The Empire of the South," a book published by the Southern Railway Company in the interest of the South and its wonderful resources. It is a large work, 9x11 inches, containing 181 pages, finely illustrated, showing the many industries that are being developed in the South. The work is a marvel of skill and workmanship and is worthy of a place on the center table of any home in the land. It is not an advertising scheme, but a work of great interest and general information.

—The Riddell House, one of Bradford's leading hotels, was nearly destroyed by fire last Saturday night. Although the building was not entirely burned, the parts untouched by flames were considerably damaged by smoke and water. The peculiar construction of the house made successful fighting of the flames almost impossible even by Bradford's splendidly drilled and well equipped fire department. Mr. Holley, the proprietor, had contemplated making extensive improvements on the building. The loss is estimated at $25,000; insurance, $19,000.

—Another evidence of prosperity: While reading this week's Potter Journal and McKean County Miner, we noticed the list of properties advertised for sale by the sheriffs of the two counties. In our own county there are two properties advertised; in McKean three. A comparison with the December lists of previous years causes one to believe that the cry of prosperous times is not without substantiating evidence. This evidence of prosperity is among the the farmers, and no one is more deserving than the tillers of the soil.—Galeton Dispatch.

—The Standard Oil Co. has stopped pumping oil through the National Transit company line for an indefinite period, and all the stations between Colegrove and Lancaster are shut down. Most of their employes have been given work at other points. Engineer Yoder at North Bend station has been transferred to Colegrove. H. O. Gardner, the other engineer, will look after the station and telegraph wire at North Bend. Firemen Wilson and Summerson have not yet been assigned, but they will doubtless be given employment somewhere on the system.—North Bend cor. to Renovo Record.

—Mr. J. Clayton Backus of this place and Miss Lucy Blake of Eldred were married at the home of Mrs. H. B. Bowen (the bride's sister), at Eldred on Monday. A few minutes prior to the leaving of the bus for the 9:21 train which was to take Mr. Backus to Eldred, he made the startling discovery that his marriage license was missing. Clayte hurried at once to the recorder's office and "great excitement prevailed" before he triumphantly secured a duplicate license, and by tall hustling also caught the bus before it left for the depot. The MINER wishes the happy couple a pleasant and prosperous journey through life.

—Last Sunday morning about 5:45 several of our citizens were aroused from their slumbers by a trembling of buildings, the rattling of windows and a very loud sound that resembled a heavy, quick clap of thunder. It came so suddenly and passed so quickly that no one who heard it was able to conjecture what it could possibly mean. Later in the day a telephone message from Bradford stated that a glycerine magazine had blown up at Bolivar Run near Bradford. The explosion, it is said, was most effectual. Three hundred quarts of the deadly material had caused a wreck of everything within reasonable reach. Fortunately no one was killed or injured.

Court Proceedings.

Criminal court convened on Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Judge T. A. Morrison presiding. Eighteen grand jurors answered to their names. E. V. Cody of Bradford was appointed foreman. There were 20 indictments to go before the grand jury.

Com. vs Pete Leo, returned by constable for selling liquor on Sunday; motion for leave to send up an indictment to grand jury was granted.

On motion of District Attorney a nol pros was granted in the case of Com. vs Ted Bailey, aggravated assault.

Com. vs Harry Lindsay, fornication and bastardy; continued till June term, and bail furnished in sum of $300.

A nol pros was granted in the case of Com. vs C. A. Terry, assault and battery.

Com. vs W. A. Cole, motion for leave to remit the recognizance of William Haven was granted upon payment of costs.

Com. vs Chas. Mayer, desertion; continued till February term.

Com. vs Chas. Mayer, adultery; same. Bail furnished in the sum of $300.

Com. vs Mike Rich, returned by constable for selling liquor on Sunday; motion was granted for leave to send up an indictment to grand jury.

Com. vs John Kerr, motion was granted for leave to remit forfeiture of recognizance. A nol pros was also granted.

Com. vs Kate Carter, keeping a bawdy house; not guilty and county pay costs.

Com. vs Jas. Lannin, assault and battery; guilty.

Christian Burnside et. al. vs G. R. Gallup, motion for extension of time to file answer granted.

Com. vs Gust Walström et. al., motion for an attachment for E. Buckalew, a witness, was granted.

Court appointed C. M. Colegrove surveyor, B. L. Knapp and Roswell Sartwell viewers for a road in Keating township, to lead from Smethport to a point in the Alton road.

Willis S. Stevenson vs Grace M. Stevenson, subpoena in divorce awarded.

Samuel W. Washburn vs Cora Washburn, subpoena in divorce awarded.

Report of the viewers for two roads in Ceres township was confirmed nisi and each was ordered to be opened 60 feet wide.

Report of viewers for a road in Norwich township was confirmed nisi. Also report of viewers for a road in Annin township. Also report of viewers for a road in Keating township and road ordered opened 50 feet wide.

Genesee National Building, Saving and Loan Assn. vs Cornelius Chamberlain et al. Motion for judgment granted.

Anna Swanson vs Gust Swanson; motion for subpoena in divorce granted.

The court appointed John A. Windsor guardian of Leon and Eugene Vezie.

The case of Com. vs C. J. Carey, was continued till June term, and defendant furnished bail in sum of $300.

The court appointed N. P. Lantz committee for Peter Lungfelds, a lunatic.

Com. vs Gust Anderson, Gust Walstrom, John Hook and M. Olander, riot and assault and battery, not guilty but pay costs.

Com. vs Ted Bailey, defendant plead guilty.

Com. vs C. H. Hyatt, malicious mischief, guilty.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mrs. Emil Thamm is visiting her daughter in Brooklyn.

N. W. Heinemann of Colegrove was in town Tuesday.

G. B. Mayo transacted business at Hazelhurst Monday.

On Wednesday Miss Lois Young visited Buffalo friends.

F. B. King of Ceres was a guest at the Central yesterday.

A. N. Lillibridge was greeting his many friends here yesterday.

L. R. Reed of Oil City was a welcome visitor in town Tuesday.

W. O. Herzog transacted business in the oil metropolis on Saturday.

Miss Marion Davis of Port Allegany is the guest of Mrs. D. C. Young.

F. W. Brownell visited Buffalo on Tuesday to purchase holiday goods.

Rev. F. J. Barber of Ormsby was a most agreeable caller at this office yesterday.

W. P. Beckwith of Farmers Valley was a most welcome caller at this office Tuesday.

The ever popular "Ike" Simons of Bradford was a brief visitor in town last Sunday.

Squire C. L. Ward of Port Allegany was a most agreeable caller at this office on Friday.

Gilbert Mosely of Coryville remembered the MINER office with a pleasant call Monday.

Attorney C. E. Judd of Bradford kindly remembered the MINER this week while in town.

Edward Carpenter of Laraloe was a pleasant caller at this office last Monday while in town.

Attorney S. W. Smith of Port Allegany was a most welcome caller at this office on Monday.

Attorney H. E. Shaffer of Kane was a most welcome caller at the MINER office Monday.

F. E. Rowley, C. W. Catlin and B. C. Gallup of Port Allegany were visitors in town yesterday.

Miss Alice Thamm returned from Allegany on Saturday where she has been for about two months.

W. L. Hamilton and Dr. E. S. Smith of Campbell, N. Y., transacted business in town the first of the week.

Attorney W. L. Lillibridge of Port Allegany is in town to-day. He reports excellent sleighing at Flodders Green.

J. J. Roberts of Ceres was in town yesterday. He escaped recognition a long time, owing to his fine populistic beard.

Jno. J. Hafner, one of Clermont's influential citizens, was a welcome caller Monday. He served as juror during the week.

Mrs. F. E. Baldwin of Austin was the guest of her mother, Mrs. Samuel McClure, of Cemetery street, Friday night and Saturday.

District Attorney-elect John T. Melvin of Bradford was over this week taking observations and getting accustomed to the duties of his office.

Rev. A. R. Kiefer of Bradford was the guest of comrade H. M. Choate while here installing the officers of McKean Post No. 347, G. A. R., last week.

H. C. Wells visited Buffalo last Monday to interview Santa Claus on the latter's consignment of Christmas toys. You will find a grand assortment for the holidays at that popular store.

Prof. W. B. Eckels visited F. G. Lindholm at Ballard Sunday. The patient is improving as rapidly as could be expected under the circumstances. He will not be brought home for some time, but taken to a private residence where he will have rest and quiet.

C. H. Barker, who has spent some time in India, was in town last week and left a large collection of swords and knives such as are used in warfare in the eastern countries. The collection is quite a curiosity and some of the weapons display great skill and ingenuity in carving. The collection is on exhibition at L. K. Hogarth & Co.'s drug store.

Holiday Excursion Rates.

In accordance with an old established custom the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg Ry. will this year, issue excursion tickets between all stations on its line, account Christmas and New Year's holidays, at a fare and one-third for the round trip. Tickets will be sold and good going on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, 1899, and Jan. 1, 1900. Limited for return passage until Jan. 2, 1900.

W. N. Y. & P. Ry. Holiday Rates.

For the convenience of the traveling public excursion rates will be made to points on W. N. Y. & P. Ry. Tickets sold Dec. 23, 24, 25, 30 and 31, 1899, and Jan. 1, 1900, good for return passage to Jan. 2, 1900, inclusive. Call on agents for particulars.

Dr. Burg Chadwick wishes to call your attention to his fine line of pictures, toilet articles, the finest perfumes in the market, combs and brushes, tobaccos and cigars and everything of first quality in the drug line. Vases to suit the most fastidious. Call early and avoid the rush.

Mr. J. Sheer, Sedalia, Mo., saved his child's life by One Minute Cough Cure. Doctors had given her up to die with croup. It's an infallible cure for coughs, colds, grippe, pneumonia, bronchitis and throat and lung troubles. Relieves at once. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

For Sale.

The Sprague brick building at corner of Main and Fulton streets. Inquire of W. D. Gallup or write Mrs. Emma J. Sprague, Buffalo, N. Y.

LOST—A small silver watch and chatelaine between B., B. & K. depot and school house. Finder please leave at this office. 50-tf.

Cook Stove for Sale.

In good condition. Inquire of S. A. Scull, residence of J. C. Gallup, King St.

LIGHT UP—but go to Holmes & Gilfillan's for your lights, mantles and globes. Best and cheapest.

WANTED—At the Grand Central, Smethport, Pa., a girl who can do laundry or dining room work.

E. T. Daly calls attention to his fine line of cutlery. Do not fail to call on him. t.f.

Gleason's photo buttons are the rage. Call at the gallery.

The MINER and Tribune $1.25.

For Holiday Millinery visit

THE BAZAAR

Mrs Carrie Clark & Co., Props.

Stamped Linens, Pin Cushion Tops, Embroidery Materials of all descriptions, Laces, Ribbons, Fancy Buckles, Silks, &c.

Full assortment of all kinds of materials for Fancy Work. The display of Christmas Millinery was never larger than now. Call and get our Special Holiday Prices.

Smethport, - Pa.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure
"Digests what you eat."

CORRESPONDENCE.

EAST SMETHPORT.

Married at the Grand Central Hotel, Olean, on Wednesday, Dec. 6, 1899, by the Rev. W. C. Wilbur, of the First Methodist church of that city, Mr. Eber Dennison of this place and Miss Bessie Allen of Smethport. This marriage was rather a surprise to their friends. These two young people are well known and highly esteemed by a host of friends both in the township and boro. The bride is a daughter of Contractor M. N. Allen. The groom has a lucrative position with Chas. Anderson at Colegrove, where they will make their home. They took a short wedding trip to Burdette, N. Y., near Seneca Lake, where they visited Mrs. Dennison's uncle. The writer unites with a host of friends in wishing them a happy and prosperous wedded life.

Thomas Stanton, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stanton, died at the home of his parents in White Hollow, a short distance above Crosby, on Monday last of spinal meningitis. The little fellow had been sick only five days, but during that time he suffered untold agony. The funeral services were held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Coon, of whom he was a nephew, in this place Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Dr. Walker of the Methodist church of Smethport officiating. The remains were laid at rest in Rose Hill cemetery.

Since the big cut in the price of glass was announced our citizens are fearful that the proposed glass plant for this place will not materialize. Now that the fever for industries has taken hold of the people, why not make a hustle for something else. We have the material and the fuel for conducting many different kinds of industries. Look around a little.

There is considerable talk of starting a local gas company in this place. This ought to be a paying scheme. With an organized company which could furnish gas by paying quantities it ought not to a hard matter to induce industries to locate here.

Henry Evans has purchased the Gallup property, adjoining that of Mrs. Thomas Walker, and is putting the same in repair. It is understood that he will move his family into the building as soon as the necessary repairs are made.

School was shut down Friday noon on account of scarlet fever. Quite a number of the pupils had been exposed to the disease and it was thought the safer way to guard the school against infection.

There is another scarlet fever case in town, this time in the Raymond family. The house was promptly quarantined and every effort is being put forth to prevent the spread of the disease.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur B. Thamm visited Olean Friday.

Creamery Report.

Following is the statement of the Nunumdah Butter & Cheese Co., L't'd, for the month of November:

Milk received,	25,699 lbs
Fat extracted,	1,041 lbs
Butter made,	1,224 lbs
Butter sold for,	$255.50
Cream and buttermilk sold for	$ 8.70
Creamery cartons,	44100
Price of fat per pound, net,	20½ cts
Average price of butter during month	22.02 cts

It takes but a minute to overcome tickling in the throat and to stop a cough by the use of One Minute Cough Cure. This remedy quickly cures all forms of throat and lung troubles. Harmless and pleasant to take. It prevents consumption. A famous specific for grippe and its after effects. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers purify the blood, clean the liver, invigorate the system. Famous little pills for constipation and liver troubles. L. K. Hogarth & Co.

Photo buttons 25c up at "Ike" Gleason's.

Something New In Watches.

The New Four Hundred, the smallest American watch made, and will keep good time. We put these movements in a fine 14 k filled case, guaranteed for 20 years, and are selling them for a short time only for $15.00. We have a fine line of watches, diamonds, clocks, silverware, cut glass and a general line of fine jewelry. Scientific examination of the eyes free.

Give us a call.

C. H. ROBIE,

The Leading Jeweler.

143 Union St., - Olean.

For The Holidays.

Just Received

An exquisite line of Neckwear, Shirts, Hosiery, Underwear, Hats. A full assortment of Dent's and Fourie's celebrated dress and walking gloves. Also an immense line of fine and medium grade umbrellas for ladies and gentlemen. We call special attention to our beautiful stock of children's Reefers, Blouse Suits and Top O'Coats.

All new goods. Prices the lowest.

IKE SIMONS,

46 Main St., Bradford, Pa.

Holiday Jewelry.

I have just moved into my new store in the Callar Block and am now better prepared to display my stock of holiday goods than ever before.

My stock includes

Watches, Clocks, Diamonds, Rings, Jewel Cases, Gold Novelties, Silver Novelties, Bracelets, Broaches, Chains

and in fact everything to be found in a first-class jewelry store.

All goods guaranteed just as represented.

Mrs. E. G. Carter,

Callar Block. SMETHPORT.

A gallon of PURE LINSEED OIL mixed with a gallon of

Hammar Paint

makes 2 gallons of the VERY BEST PAINT in the WORLD for $1.40 or

Saves 25 Per Cent

of your paint bill. Is far more durable than Pure White Lead and is Absolutely not Poisonous. Hammar Paint is made of the Best of Paint Materials—such as all good painters use, and is ground Thick, very Tough. No trouble to mix, any boy can do it. It is the Common Sense of House Paint. No better paint can be made at any cost, and is

Guaranteed 5 Years

Not to Crack, Blister, Peel or Chip.

F. Hammar Paint Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Sold and guaranteed by

HOLMES & GILFILLAN,
Smethport, Penna.

Dealers in

ROUGH AND DRESSED LUMBER.

Bell Brothers,

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Oh, lovely rose!
Tell me what matter has the red spot
That now on thee is seen
Where I resemble her to whom
Some sweet and fair one seems to be.

Tell her that's a vame
And shame to have her glances speed
That hither there turned
In absence, where no eye should be,
Since mine have recommended God.

Small is the worth
Of beauty from the light retired;
Had her mind been
Hidden from view
Rather herself to be desired,
And not blush so to be admired.

Then die, thou die
The common fate of all things rare
May read in thee
How small a part of time they share
That are so wondrous sweet and fair.
—Edmund Waller.

THE LAME TIGER OF HULDUANL.

A Story Showing That It Is Sure Dangerous to Be a Coward Than to Be Brave.

It was in the middle of May, just before the beginning of the season rains, that Ram Deen and certain wayfarers met round a handful of fire at Lal Kooah from sheer force of habit, for the heat of the evening was great, and not a breath of air stirred in the jungle. The sal trees had lost their leaves and looked like ghosts, the grass had been burned in all directions, and as the sun set in the copper sky it left upon the jungle that night have stood for the subjugation of desolation.

The dry chirping of the crickets, just beginning to tune their first morning strains, sounded with the unholy drone. Even the horses waiting for the mail cart were imbued with the depressing influence of the season and hung their heads with a sense of despair.

No one spoke, and the hookah passed from hand to hand in a dreary silence. Suddenly the attention of these wretches was attracted by the crimson eye of a lynx trailer bird on a neighboring mimosa tree. It was calling frantically and dropping lower from branch to branch, as though afraid of its will.

"Sing" exclaimed the human mind, diverted by his remark all eyes were turned to the foot of the tree, where an enormous cobra, with expanded hood, was swaying its head from side to side and drawing the wretches' bird to its doom through the fascination of fear.

Ram Deen, whose sympathies were always with the weak and defenseless, rose to his feet and, throwing a fire-brand of earth at the reptile drove the creature from the tree while the bird released from its hypnotic influence flew away.

"Brothers," said Ram Deen, "fear is the father of all sins and the cause of most calamities. He who feareth not death is a king in his own right and doth but once. But a coward is ashamed who can count his pangs."

"Ha, ha!" chuckled the little bullock driver. "Ram Deen the fearless shall live to be a hundred years old."

"Nay, Goor Dutt!" said Ram Deen gravely regarding the little man. "I, too, have known fear. No man may drive the mail to Kaladoongie without looking on death."

Ram Deen smoked awhile in silence and when the expectation of his listeners was wrought to a proper pitch he went on, "Ye all know Nandha, the Leather, who used to go with the last year from this stage to Kaladoongie?"

"Aye, coach-wan is," respondent the carrier for the others. "'Tis a good calling, but not known to those born amble wayfarers who come from beyond Moondabad."

"Brothers, ye saw the plight of the bye last but now, so was it with Nandha," said Ram Deen.

"One evening we the mail arrived he called me to where he stood by the Kikar tree yonder, looking down at the ground. In the dust of the road were large footprints.

"'Those be the spoor of a tiger lame in his left hind foot,' I said to Nandha. 'See, here it crushed on its heel' as it wiped away the wheel tracks made by the mail cart this morning.'

"'Tis the lame tiger of Hulduanl coach-wan. He is old, and is famished man. Gunga send he is hunting elsewhere tonight,' replied Nandha.

"When we came within a mile of the Bare bridge that night, the horses stopped suddenly. They were wild with fear, and refused to move. The night was as dark as the inside of a pound, and beyond the circle of light made by our lanterns we could discern in the middle of the road two balls of fire close to the ground.

"'Dog tigers,' said Nandha as he climbed over into the back seat. 'We be dead men, Ram Deen.'

"'Drive' I commanded, giving him the lash, and he started on the journey with a blast. I gathered up the reins, and, adding my voice to the driver's Nandha's music. I waved the horses with whip and yell to a furry of oaths, and the lighted lanterns showed the great beast leaping into the darkness to escape our onset.

"Nandha ceased not from blowing on the bugle till I took it from his lips force at the door of the post-office at Kaladoongie.

"They gave him liquor to soothe and wreck to drink ere he slept that night, for his great fear had deprived him of reason for a while, and he feared round him as though he expected to see the tiger's eyes everywhere.

"The dog followed me to the further side of the Bare bridge, he said, the next morning as we prepared to return to Lal Kooah. But I laughed at his fears, to give him courage.

"'It is a devil,' he muttered, looking cautiously round him, and I saw that the light of his reason flickered.

"When we came to the Bare bridge Nandha leaped to the ground and in the dim light of the morning I could see the tracks of a great beast on the ground, to which he pointed more even as we looked there came the roar of a tiger. I could scarce hold the horses while Nandha, whose limbs were stiff with fear, scrambled into the back seat of the mail cart.

"When a tiger puts its mouth to the ground and gives voice, no man may tell whence the sound comes so I could not so see. If I might, where the danger lay, but gave the horses free rein.

"As we cleared the end of the bridge Nandha screamed, 'Bag lame' and glancing back I saw the tiger in full pursuit of us, and within two paces.

"'Blow!' I commanded handing the bugle to Nandha, but though he took it from me, he appeared not to under stand what he was required to do.

"'Blow!' said I once more, shaking him, but he took no heed of me, and was as a man who walks in his sleep. So I put my arm round him and lifted him on to the front seat beside me, and even as I pulled him to me his head was drawn over his shoulder by the spell of fear. There was a foam on his lips and on his beard and he shook so that I feared he would fall off the mail cart.

"'Be brave, Nandha,' I shouted to him. 'The beast is lame, and we shall soon leave it behind.' For answer he turned his face to me for one instant, and his lips framed the word 'bag,' but no sound came therefrom.

"Suddenly he laughed like a child that is pleased with a toy, babbling and saying: 'How beautiful is my love! Built for the wind to his feet! Run back, my love! Sharpen' babbe he hath a claws in his feet!' As he rose I put an arm round him and forced him down again, that at that instant the tiger altered another four. The horses quickened and would have left the road in their fear had I not put forth the full strength of both my arms, and, as soon as Nandha felt himself free he leaped to the ground and advanced to meet the tiger. He walked joyously, as a local servant, who goes to meet his lord.

"Looking over my shoulder I saw how the horses were in the middle of the road, which here stretched straight ahead of me. I bade Nandha proceed toward the tiger, which now crouched in the road, waiting for him. Its tail waving from side to side. When he was within five paces of the beast, he salaamed to the ground and as he stooped the tiger sprang on him with another roar and, throwing him over its shoulder, it bounded with him into the jungle."—Westminster Budget.

A STICK WITH A STORY.

The Odd Office Which It Performed in a Gambling Den.

"It's an odd little story connected with the old cane," said a New Orleans sporting man the other day. "You will observe how heavy it is and how well balanced. It used to be carried by an old fellow who was a well known character here back in the seventies. He had an old nose in a very crooked standing fashion. I won't hint anybody's fight by mentioning the exact location, but it was a saying that you might as well strike your money under the door and walk off. It paid dividends.

"It's all below Pin speaking of where operated many of the games, but was considerably a mere spectator. His business was a diagnose of what were known technically as 'knockers.' A knocker was anybody who attempted to beat the game on his own friend. For example, a visitor would be playing at one of the games and his friend, looking over his shoulder, would see a certain card in the hole. As a rule the friend's duty is to say nothing, but sometimes these suggestions were naturally resented by the house.

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"Now, this old man